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TAGS: OVIP, SN (SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE BERGLAND)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY BERGLAND'S VISIT TO SINGAPORE

REF: A. SINGAPORE 2242 B. KUALA LUMPUR 3242

1. WE HAVE CONTACTED AMBASSADOR HOLDRIDGE REGARDING
QUESTIONS RAISED REF A. HIS VIEWS, WHICH WE HAVE
SHARED WITH AGRICULTURE, FOLLOW:

2. A) AMBASSADOR WILLING TO ADDRESS OPENING SESSION
OF ATTACHES' CONFERENCE ON JUNE 13. PLEASE PREPARE
TALKING POINTS FOR HIS USE.

B) AMBASSADOR AGREES TO PROVIDE BRIEFING FOR
SECRETARY BERGLAND AND HIS PARTY AT RESIDENCE UPON
ARRIVAL, EVENING OF JUNE 13, AND BELIEVES BUFFET

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WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

C) INVITATION TO SECRETARY BERGLAND TO STAY AT
RESIDENCE HAS BEEN EXTENDED, WITH NOTATION THAT APPRO-
PRIATE ACCOMMODATIONS COULD BE BOOKED ELSEWHERE WITH
THE SECRETARY'S PARTY IF HE PREFERS.

D) AMBASSADOR WILLING TO HOST A RECEPTION AT THE

RESIDENCE EVENING OF JUNE 14, AND ASSUMES THAT BOTH
SECRETARY BERGLAND'S PARTY AND THE AGRICULTURAL
ATTACHES WOULD ATTEND.

3. FOR KUALA LUMPUR: AGRICULTURE AWARE OF IMPORTANCE
FOR PLANNING PURPOSES OF EARLY NOTIFICATION OF COMPO-
SITION OF SECRETARY BERGLAND'S PARTY. WE HAVE ALSO
STRESSED VALUE OF MEETING WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER
MAHATHIR IN KUALA LUMPUR IF AT ALL POSSIBLE (REF B),
AND HOPE THAT EMBASSY CAN FIND A WAY FOR THE MEETING
TO TAKE PLACE EVEN IF SECRETARY'S PRESENT SCHEDULE
CANNOT BE ALTERED. VANCE

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